

BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 Week 6

27 February 2023

WEEK'S EVENTS		
Mon 27 Feb	Stage 1 Field of Mars excursion	
Mon 27 Feb	7:30pm P&C executive meeting in library	
COMING EVENTS		
Thurs 14 Mar	6:00pm-7:00pm - Class Parents Meeting	
Wed 8 Mar	Zone Swimming Carnival – selected students	
Tue 14 & 21 Mar	Parent Information nights	
Wed 15-Fri 24 Mar	NAPLAN (years 3&5)	

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to the P&C for a hugely successful Welcome Family Picnic on Friday evening. The parent turnout was fantastic and thankfully the weather was on our side. It is wonderful to see our community come together and celebrate all that is wonderful about it.

For the next two Monday afternoons, all staff will be attending extended Professional Learning sessions on the Department of Education's Aboriginal Education Policy. This policy confirms the Department's commitment to the improvement in educational outcomes and wellbeing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. Staff will look deeply into the Closing the Gap strategy.

A reminder to parents that the playground equipment should not be used by pre-schoolers and toddlers in the afternoon, nor by students being supervised by their parents straight after school. The only children allowed on the equipment are those attending BPCC, as the BPCC hire the grounds from the school in the afternoon and they have responsibility for this space. This area is strictly out of bounds for all others, and I would appreciate parents support and understanding in this matter.

The school has received a complaint from a neighbour regarding parents blocking their driveway. This neighbour has been parked in a couple of times over the past few weeks, and twice their bins have not been emptied as other people have moved them. This is very concerning behaviour. I understand the desire for parents to park as close to the school as possible, however, please be mindful of the lovely neighbours we have and be respectful towards their driveways and property. Mrs Taylor's final day at Boronia Park Public School will be this Wednesday, 1 March. Mrs Taylor has accepted the Assistant Principal position at Rydalmere Public School. I would like to acknowledge all of Mrs Taylor's efforts at our school since she first joined staff in 2013. I would also like to thank her for her support in 2021, and again in 2022, as Relieving Deputy Principal.

Mrs Ward

OFFICE REPORT

FAMILY STATEMENTS

Statements were emailed home last week together with a covering letter with fee details.

If you have not yet received your statement, or have any questions, please contact the office on 9817 2778.

NOTES RECENTLY SENT OUT VIA SCHOOLBYTES

- 1. Reminder Recorder 2023 note
- 2. How to enter an attendance on the
- 3. SchoolBytes parent portal
- 4. National Young Leaders Day (selected Students)

CLEAN UP BORONIA PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL DAY

Sunday 5 March is *Clean Up Australia Day.* Students of Boronia Park Public School will be cleaning up our local environment, being the school and the immediate surroundings, Monday 6



March to Wednesday 8 March. Students have been assigned a day and will be given 20 minutes to clean up.

Students can bring in a pair of gloves suitable for picking up rubbish on their allocated day. Children will be reminded not to touch any sharp objects. Class teachers will be supervising students as they collect and dispose of rubbish responsibly.

Monday 6 March	Kindergarten, Year 1 & 2
Tuesday 7 March	Year 3 & 4
Wednesday 8 March	Year 5 & 6

Let's take care of our school and our environment.

Miss Hristofski and Mrs Peters

CREATIVE ARTS

WELCOME PICNIC PERFORMANCES

Congratulations to the talented Laurent (5B), the combined choir, our boys dance crew and the parent band on great performances at the P&C's Welcome Picnic on Friday evening! There was a strong sense of community spirit and it was lovely occasion.

BANDS

Our training band started this week with Nate Porter and our concert and performance bands continued with great rehearsals. All lessons with music tutors have now started.

CHOIR

Rehearsals begin this week. Senior choir is on Monday mornings 8.15am in the library and junior choir starts this Thursday 2 March at 8:15am in the library. School bags should be hung on the hooks outside the library. Don't forget a folder with plastic sleeves for sheet music and lyrics sheets.

DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Commences Wednesday 15 March 3:30pm in the library, 3:30pm-4:30pm.

ANZAC ASSEMBLY

Our performance band and our combined junior and senior choirs will perform at our special ANZAC Remembrance assembly on Wednesday the morning, 5 April. Parents are warmly invited to attend.

Mrs Nylund

LIBRARY

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE - Let's begin!

The PRC website opened today! Please make contact via your classroom teacher with any login problems.



The PRC is a state-wide reading initiative and part of our school's literacy program. Students K-2 will need to experience or share 30 books, and 3-6 are to read 20 books from The Challenge Booklists. A full list of the PRC rules and booklists can be found online at: online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/.

To complete the 2023 PRC, all students will need to complete the online reading log through the PRC website using students' login details. The details were sent home last week.

All students who complete the PRC will be awarded a Boronia Park merit award which contributes towards the Bronze/Silver/Gold award system. In December an official PRC certificate will arrive. Students are welcome to challenge themselves and complete further reading logs in the year, which is fantastic to see their commitment to reading. Please note, that only one entry can be made online, and only one Boronia Park merit award in a calendar year will contribute towards the school's award system.

Mrs Hunt

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

The Parent Information Night will be held on Tuesdays (week 8 and week 9) at 5pm-6pm. Literacy will be first in week 8 and numeracy will be in week 9.



SPORT

SUMMER PSSA

Unfortunately we did not get to compete in our second round of PSSA due to Hunters Hill Council ground closures.

SYDNEY NORTH TENNIS TRIALS

Best of luck to Katinka C. as she trials today for a spot in the area Sydney North tennis team.

RYDE ZONE BASKETBALL

Best of luck to Oliver S. as he trials for the Ryde Zone basketball team Friday afternoon @ Denistone East Public School.



Please visit our Zone website for updates on PSSA points and draws for week 6.

Mrs O'Brien and Mr Smyth

P&C

P&C EXECUTIVE MEETING

Tonight, 27 February the P&C executive committee will meet to discuss the priorities, events & goals for the 2023 school year. We will communicate any decisions, including 2023 fundraising priorities, in future newsletters/communications.

WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

Thank you BPPS families for joining us at the Welcome Picnic on Friday evening at the school. It was terrific to see so many new and returning families enjoying the fabulous band, food and making new friends - everyone seemed to have had a great time.

Thank you to Mrs Nylund for coordinating the outstanding BPPS musical items and the boys dance crew who kicked us off in style. A big thank you to parents band The Hunters Hill Collectors for the fabulous entertainment.

A massive shout out to Cassidy Real Estate for donating all the BBQ food, cooking up a storm and donating the \$900 raised back to the school.

Thank you to the school representatives Mrs Ward, Mrs Hunt, Ms Scott, Mrs McPhee and Mrs Clarke and to the event organisers Nicole Stevens, Claire Bethell and Sarah Kay for putting on such a fun night and to all those who helped out before, during and after the event – it was very much appreciated.

We hope you enjoyed yourselves and thank you for coming along to support our school!

FATHER FIGURES AND PAPER PLANES THURSDAY 16 MARCH

The Father Figures' BBQ and Paper Planes night will happen on Thursday 16 March – all dads, grandads, uncles and father figures are welcome. See details below.



MUMS' CATCH UP FRIDAY 24 MARCH

We hope to see all mums and mother figures at the *BPPS Mums'* and *Mother Figures* annual social night. Keep an eye out next week for all information and how to purchase tickets.

ELECTION BBQ & CAKE STALL SATURDAY 25 MARCH

The P&C organises and runs the very popular *BPPS BBQ and cake stall* for the community to enjoy while voting. Last year we raised \$5.5k to support the school and could have raised even more but we ran out of cake.

For this event to be a success, we need more parents help. If you can volunteer on the day to help set up/pack up, cook the snags, sell cakes or bake some yummy cakes or cookies then please sign up below. Shifts are only 1 to 1.5 hours so you can help out then get on with your day. We really appreciate everyone's help and it's a great way to get to know other parents in the school.

2023 P&C REPRESENTATIVES

1. Tony Powell, President – <u>tonypowell@gmx.com</u>

- 2. Jake Passmore, secretary Jakepassmore@hotmail.com
- 3. Sophie Patel sophie.rose.wotton@hotmail.com
- 4. Jessica Collins P&C President <u>bppspandc.president@gmail.com</u>

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council is a forum for teachers and parents to work together to set future goals and directions for the school.

The next meeting of the School Council is Monday 20 March at 5:30pm.

Parents can raise matters they are concerned about at any time to any member of the council. Further information about the Council and contact details for the parent representatives of the Council are available on the BPPS website.

CANTEEN

Sushi \$3.70
Roast chicken rolls \$5.00
Salad boxes with chicken \$5.50
Chicken and beef burgers Sushi \$3.70

FRIDAY 3 MARCH REMINDER

The canteen will not be open in the afternoon (after school) on Friday 3 March. The canteen will operate as usual for recess and lunch. Apologies for any inconvenience.



FAREWELL FROM LINDSAY

Dear Earl St Crossing and Dozo families,

This week is my last week as your Lollipop Lady now that commitments to my own family have increased. It has been a great pleasure and privilege for me to share your daily lives and watch the children growing up from year to year. I will miss all your happy smiles and waves and wish you all the very best for your future adventures.



Never forget to look both ways!

Lindsey the Lollipop Lady